

Fair Housing for Real Estate Industry Professionals



Top 100 Frequently Asked
Questions & Answers

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Introduction

The Fair Housing Partners of Washington created this guidebook to address the most common questions and quandaries about fair housing as it applies to residential real estate transactions. Most of the questions in this book came from real estate professionals and mortgage lenders who had a series of meetings with us. We thank everyone who shared their expertise.

We have tried to present a wide variety of topics and situations – but of course, no guidebook can cover everything. If you have comments or suggestions, please call the King County Office of Civil Rights at 206-296-7592, TTY 206-296-7596, or e-mail us at Civil-Rights.OCR@KingCounty.gov.

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- Information on predatory lending
- *“Fair Housing in Washington State: Top 100 Frequently Asked Questions and Answers for Property Owners and Managers”* – A must for rental property owners and managers
- Sample policies for residential property managers on reasonable accommodations, service animals, and tenant-on-tenant harassment
- Online newsletter – *“Fair Housing Update”*
- Fair housing posters and much more

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